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GENEVA FOR CSCE DEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CSCE AT EC FONMINS' MEETING

REF: DUBLIN 297 AND 304

1. MFA'S NATO DIRECTOR COVERED FOLLOWING ASPECTS OF
EC FONMINS' FEB 13 DISCUSSION IN DUBLIN OF CSCE, ON
WHICH HE SAID NO DECISIONS REACHED AND ITALIANS WOULD
BE BRIEFING NATO.

2. PEACEFUL CHANGE. FRENCH ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO US/FRG
FORMULA SINCE OUTCOME OF CSCE SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED
AS PEACE TREATY WITH GERMANY AND IT IS IMPORTANT TO
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SAFEGUARD 4-POWER AGREEMENT ON BERLIN, WHICH WEST

INSISTED ON AS PRELUDE TO CSCE AND THEREFORE IS A
PILLAR OF DETENTE.

3. CBM'S. FENCH SAID WORK ON THIS SUBJECT MUST BE
FINISHED AT THE CONFERENCE AND NOT POSTPONED FOR FOLLOW-
UP TREATMENT. THIS ALSO IS VIEW OF DUTCH, WHO DON'T
WANT ANY "LEFTOVERS" WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ESTABLISHMENT
OF FOLLOW-ON MECHANISM. FRG WARNED AGAINST SETTING A
PRECEDENT FOR MBFR IF WEST AGREES TO ZONES FOR CBM'S.
WHILE NINE ENDORSED IMPORTANCE OF CBM'S PARTICULARLY POLITICALLY,
THERE ARE VARYING VIEWS ON WHEN RESULTS MIGHT BE EXPECTED. THEY
WANT TO PRESS FOR SOME PROGRESS BEFORE END OF FIRST READING OF
DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. UK THINKS RESULTS WILL ONLY
BE POSSIBLE AT THE END OF THE 2ND PHASE, BUT DUTCH
FEEL THERE WILL BE ALL TOO MANY ISSUES REQUIRING
RESOLUTION AT THAT POINT.

4. FOLLOW-ON. NINE AGREED TO BASE THEMSELVES ON
DANISH PROPOSAL TO EVALUATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
CONFERENCE IN 1977 (OR PERHAPS 78). WHILE DANES AND
BRITISH HAVE IN MIND SOMETHING "MORE" THAN ORIGINAL
DANISH PROPOSAL, FRENCH ARE OPPOSED ON GROUNDS FOLLOW-
ON SHOULD BE PERMANENT CARROT FOR THE EAST. DUTCH
SHARE THIS VIEW, FEELING THAT THIRD PHASE OF CSCE FOR
TIME BEING IS MAXIMUM ATTAINABLE.

5. THIRD PHASE. NINE HOPE IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO
WIND UP PHASE TWO BEFORE SUMMER, BUT THIS WILL REQUIRE
HARD WORK AND GOODWILL FROM ALL CONCERNED. THEY ARE
DISAPPOINTED AT SLOW PROGRESS IN GENEVA SINCE
CHRISTMAS WHICH DOESN'T BODE WELL FOR FINISHING BY
SUMMER.

6. SINCE BELGIANS PROPOSED AN EVALUATION BY THE NINE
OF PHASE TWO BEFORE GOING TO PHASE THREE, CHANCES OF
CSCE BEING DISCUSSED AT EC SUMMIT IN MARCH ARE SLIM.
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